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TO : Chief, PPS

DATE: 16 August 1956

FROM : Chief, LAS

25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

SUBJECT: Weekly Activities Report #33

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A. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

None to report.

B. OTHER ACTIVITIES

1. An analysis of the LAS monthly workload during the past four fiscal years has been completed by [redacted]. He selected as the best indicator of external activity the actual number of external training requests submitted, and for internal activity the number of trainees was used. The following comparisons of average monthly load are significant:

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	During FY 1953	During FY 1954	During FY 1955	During FY 1956
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External Activity	[redacted]
Internal Activity	[redacted]
Combined	[redacted]

% of Combined	[redacted]
Activity which is	[redacted]
internal only	[redacted]

The continued decline in external activity is principally due to the lessened use of local universities for language training.

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2. [redacted] of the Management Staff, [redacted] discussed on 15 August the relative security, effectiveness and economy of internal versus external training in language and area studies. We agreed to provide supplementary information. [redacted] agreed to recommend release now of four of the eight additional slots requested recently. (The slots viewed favorably include two professionals for the Foreign Language Development program, a supporting clerical and a laboratory technician.)

3. [redacted] discussed to some degree with Captain Adams, Chief, Navy Intelligence School, the desirability of further co-operation between the Navy Intelligence School and the OTR Language and Area School. Captain Adams indicated his continuing willingness to make available insofar as possible, the activities of the Navy Intelligence School to the Agency.

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4. [redacted] interviewed a replacement for [redacted]. the
instructor contributed by NSA for our part-time [redacted]
course conducted for ORR, OCI, and OSI personnel.
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5. Inquiries were received by [redacted] during the past week
from the following individuals on the topics indicated:
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a. From [redacted] Logistics - query as to procedure
for making application (as Marine Corps Reservist)
for participation in the correspondence program
conducted by the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.
Action: through Reserve channels.
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b. From [redacted], ORR - query as to probable level
of statistics course, to be offered internally, as
prerequisite for advanced course to be taken externally.
Action: Graduate of internal course will be above
elementary level in statistical understanding, but will
fall short in statistical computation and drill.
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c. From [redacted], OCI - query as to who pays for
registration fees for Agency members to attend a
local conference conducted by the Institute of
African-American Relations.
Action: OTR underwriting prohibited by DDS;
attendance permissible, if paid for personally or
by interested office and cleared through Security.
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6. [redacted] met with [redacted] on 10 August to
consider steps necessary in effecting a transfer of external training
functions. It is understood that the Processing Section will prepare
supporting correspondence for all external training, and that LAS
will act in a consultant capacity only on requests for external
training in language or area or social studies. PS will arrange
for review of all applications for management training, Scientific
and Technical training, courses offered by the military (including
Senior Defense Colleges) and all courses offered by correspondence.
(The categories of applications which LAS will discontinue handling,
when the transfer is effected, represent 38% of the total external
requests processed within LAS in FY 1956.)

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8. During the past week routine business was conducted by [] with TLO's representing DDP, FI, ORR, COMMO, OSI, TSS, Logistics, EE, OCR, and OO.
9. We have been asked to provide the Office of Personnel and ORR with a list of courses offered by the Armed Services in the Photointerpretation field, as well as to furnish information on the scheduled offerings at each installation during 1956-1957.
10. A special course on [] was started on 2 August, with 4 students from USIA and 5 from the Agency. [] is the instructor.
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11. A preliminary check for [] Soviet Bloc Course, which starts August 10, shows the probability that over fifty students will take the Course.
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12. In [] course on Northeast Asia, the visiting lecturers for last week were [] Correspondent, Mr. Oslom I. Hauge of the Bureau of the Budget, and Dr. Francis J. Decelles, Professor of Naval Intelligence at the Naval Intelligence School.
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13. [] have returned from vacation.
14. LAS has had a tape recording made of a special hour-long NBC news report entitled "Conflict in the Middle East." This recording which features a discussion of Egyptian exploitation of Arab nationalism and the Anglo-Saudi Arabian fight for Persian Gulf oil, has been played for the benefit of DDP/NEA personnel, will be used in future LAS courses on the Middle East, and is available for use by others. Those interested may call []
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15. There are currently [] students in internal Language classes, [] in self-study. The language laboratory was used for a total of [] hours.
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